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District
HAD
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Average Yield
—OF—
Wheat & Oats
—IN—
Sunny Alberta
In 1906
ACCORDING TO
GOVERNMENT
STATISTICS

Year II., No. 24.

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1908.

\$1.50 Per Year

FIRST WHEAT SHIPPED ON SATURDAY

Messrs. Poe & Young finished loading the first carload of wheat Saturday evening shipped from Gleichen of this year's yield, which was purchased by Mr. E. C. Henroth and shipped to the Medicine Hat flour mill. The price paid for the 1,000 bushels was 80 cents, being six cents more per bushel than could have been realized at Port William on that date.

This shipment marks the first of the largest and best crops ever produced in the Gleichen district and from now on this district will rank among the foremost producers of the entire west as well as it has in the past ranked the best in grade and bushels per acre. Watch Gleichen grow.

GLEICHEN ELEVATOR READY BY 20TH

The Call is advised by the Alberta Pacific Elevator Company, Ltd., that they have been unavoidably delayed in the building of the elevator at Gleichen, but expect to get the elevator started in the course of a week or ten days. The building material is now on the way and the company is sending Mr. Pagett to Gleichen at once, who will handle grain in the warehouse until the elevator is completed and ready for operation. The company expects to have the elevator working by the 15th or 20th of September.

This will be good news for our farmers as many have not had time to build granaries and want to sell their grain as it comes from the threshing.

Later—Mr. Pagett has arrived in town and is getting the warehouse in readiness for use today.

A Good Gleichen Exhibit

The grain, grasses, and other farm produce obtained by the Gleichen and District Board of Trade for the exhibit car to be sent over the Rock Island. Five railroad were excellent specimens of what can be raised in this district. A few of our farmers learning that samples were required brought them to town, while J. J. Marshall by direct of the board gathered all he could Friday and sent a busy day Saturday preparing them for shipment to Calgary Saturday evening, where Mr. White arranged them in the car, which will start on from Minneapolis on the 8th inst. Each sample was carefully labeled with the name of the grower, the date when planted and cut and all other information at hand. The preparation of the exhibit was a small undertaking and there was some expense, but the results should amply repay for it all.

Below is a list of the exhibits and the Board of Trade desires to sincerely thank all the contributors:

- Potatoes—J. Roueche and Demonstration Farm.
- Cabbage—Demonstration Farm.
- Turkey—Blackfoot Indian Agency.
- Sugar Beets—Dem. Farm and Mr. Lee.
- Beets—J. Roueche and Dem. Farm.
- Carrots—J. Roueche and Dem. Farm.
- Spring Wheat, Red Eye—Young & Poe and Hayes Bros.
- Spring Wheat, Senora—Dem. Farm.
- Flax—Mr. Ferguson.
- Hops—B Indian Agency.
- Alfalfa—3rd crop B. I. Agency, 2nd crop Jno. Buckley, and 1st crop Dem. Farm.
- Timothy—Dem. Farm.
- Hay, 2 and 6 row Dem. Farm, Jno. McEwen, Jas. Walker and J. Roueche.
- Wheat—K. J. Umbrite, Jas. Naylor.

Oats—J. Roueche, J. P. Umbrite and Mr. Ferguson.
Fall Wheat—M. Bollinger.
Speltz—Roy Allen.

Successful stable Dance

A dance in a stable may strike some as novel, if not a little peculiar, but in this new country class distinctions and no sharply drawn lines and everyone goes in to make the best of everything under all circumstances, and as a result are, all things considered, the happier for it. Thus when it was briefly announced the new Alberta Feed and Sale Stables would be opened with a dance last Friday evening, and a flag was seen flying over the new structure everybody smiled, but when that evening arrived all donned their ball costumes and proceeded to the stable to make the best of it and have a good time. They were not disappointed. A neat stairway led to the hay loft, where a good floor was prepared, a piano installed and Prof. Quigley's orchestra from Calgary provided excellent music. Soon the merry dance was on and still the young folks continued to arrive until one of the largest gatherings seen here in a long time was congregated. At midnight a tasty luncheon was provided and then dancing continued until about 2 a.m., when all went home, voting Mr. and Mrs. Barber excellent hosts and also giving due credit to Mr. and Mrs. Griesbach and Mr. Wakfield, the contractor, all of whom assisted in making the evening's entertainment enjoyable and pleasant, and all were cheered most heartily.

BROKE 25,000 ACRES FOR NEW SETTLERS

The development department of the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Co. has this year done an enormous amount of work for those buyers of land who, having bought this spring or last fall were unable to go onto their land. This spring 25,000 acres of breaking has been done between Calgary and Gleichen. This large amount of plowing has been done by both steam and horses, and comprises lots of from 40 to 320 acres. The discing, seeding, etc., are also done by the company, so that a man may have his crop put in for from \$6 to \$8.50. This price calls for breaking four inches deep from three to four discings, and the sowing of one bushel of winter wheat to the acre.

The company will also fence land at from \$100 to \$115 per mile, with cedar posts, one rod apart, two and a half feet in the ground and carrying three wires.

The Calgary Daily Herald has undertaken a rather large order in attempting, at its own expense, to have a member of its staff ride on horseback the length and breadth of this big province to locate branch railway lines from the various transcontinental roads, which would bring within the area of profitable settlement and cultivation vast stretches of arable lands which it contains. By a series of articles the Herald hopes to describe all this country and to place before the public and government what can be accomplished by rapid and persistent railway construction. The Herald claims this undertaking to be entirely non-political and that being the case it certainly deserves the commendation and hearty support of all who have the best interests of this province at heart.

J. M. Telford went up to Calgary Monday evening to get expert attention to his arm and shoulder which was injured a couple of weeks ago and which is still quite painful.

IRRIGATION CO. IS GOOD TO HOLLANDERS

Father Van Aken Is Surprised at our Splendid Crops

Rev. Father Van Aken of the Holland Dutch colony at Akenstad, near Strathmore, was a visitor in town last Saturday on a tour of inspection around Gleichen. He was surprised at the splendid crops of the district and stated that as far as he could judge, they were equal to anything he had ever seen. The Rev. Father returned from Europe with a party of landseekers three weeks ago. Some of them had since returned after taking option on a considerable tract of land. Others intend to stay and write the folks at home to come over by themselves. Those who have returned, took samples of grain with them to show their incredulous friends in Holland. Speaking of incredulity, Father Van Aken stated that the Holland Dutch farmers are about the hardest people to convince in the world. He has met with a great amount of opposition emanating from persons whose motives were rather selfish, instead of humane. It is only natural that the departure for other shores of good, thrifty farmers, the backbone of a nation, should be regretted as a serious loss. But where it comes to pass that the majority of farmer's boys have to wait until their fortieth year before they can possess a farm and consequently before they can marry, as is the fact in Holland, where a country one fourteenth the size of Alberta, has to mortgage its farm lands to the amount of \$16,000,000 in one year, it would seem that emigration to a better country is the only alternative. Level-headed men therefore, applaud Father Van Aken's efforts and encourage him in every way.

Speaking of the disastrous hail storm of Aug. 7th ult. at Akenstad, Father Van Aken allowed that his people were very much discouraged. However, they lost no time trying to remedy conditions and appointed three of their numbers to make a full report of the damage done, with a view of submitting their case to the C. P. Irrigation Colonization Co. for relief. The appraisers estimated the damage done to oats and flax at 60 per cent. Father Van Aken went to Calgary and obtained the following aid from the Company:

- 1st. Postponement of 2nd. payment.
- 2nd. Cancelling of interest for the 2nd. year.
- 3rd. Seed grain for next year.
- 4th. Five fresh milch cows for each of the sufferers, these cows to be paid for in easy installments.

Furthermore the various implement dealers extended the time of payment for implements to Nov. 1, 1909.

In the mean time the Dutch farmers have been investigating climatic conditions in Southern Alberta and have come to the conclusion that hail storms are few and far between and that really they run less risk of being hailed out than in Holland where hail storms are rather frequent, and where, when damage is done by hail relief is not granted so quickly and promptly as in their case here. In a set of resolutions, signed by every Hollander in the colony, they have thanked the C. P. I. C. Co. and in return promised all the help they can give to assist the company in their efforts to make this the greatest farming district on the continent.

Fighting Joe Martin says he is undecided whether or not to enter federal politics at Vancouver. It will be hard on Joseph to miss a good bout like the opportunity now afforded him.

Don't forget the Handkerchief Sale Social Tuesday evening.

Tuesday was "Alberta Day", the Province of Alberta was three years old on that day, being established September 1st, 1905. She is a real husky three-year-old and at the present rate of development three years hence may be expected to compare favorably with her more ancient sisters.

The ladies of the Women's Auxiliary are preparing an excellent program for their Handkerchief Sale Social next Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. W. H. James. The social will start promptly at 8 o'clock and if the weather that evening is appropriate it will be held on the lawn. Everyone is invited to attend and a pleasant time is promised.

The teachers of the Gleichen Public School are getting up a picnic at the new Bow bridge for Labor Day—Monday—and invite the public to join in making it a success. Teams will leave town at 9:30 that morning with the children and it is fully expected a big crowd will be in attendance. Everybody is invited and enjoined to bring along a full basket.

A new post office is being applied for at Wegener, Sec. 32, Tp. 29 Range 20 west fourth Meridian, with Mr. Thos. Agg as postmaster. Rosebud is at present the nearest post office to these new settlers, the point being four miles north and fifteen miles east of Rosebud. This mail route will likely be a continuation of the stage line from Gleichen to Rosebud, and Gleichen will do well to assist in obtaining this new office.

The garden party given by Mrs. and Miss Stocken last Thursday afternoon to the members of the Women's Auxiliary and their friends at the North Camp Mission proved a delightful affair. Cake coffee and ice cream was served on the lawn and a short address by Miss Morland of Prince Albert was listened to with great interest. Rev. Canon Stocken gave a short address. There were about thirty ladies present.

J. Ulrich has purchased A. J. Renand's cigar and fruit store and took possession of it on the 1st. Mr. Ulrich has only been in Gleichen two or three months but during that time has made many friends for himself, who will join in wishing him every success in his new undertaking. He proposes making many improvements to the business and besides remodeling the store and stock, will build an addition and install another billiard table and probably a bowling alley. Mr. Renand built up a sound trade during the year and a half that he conducted the business, and has disposed of it to give his term north of us his close attention and in hopes that the change will improve his health which has not been the best for some time past.

CHURCH SERVICES

Later Day Saints—Church services are held every Sunday at 12:30 in the Shamrock School house, and Sunday school at 10 a.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Methodist—Services are held in the Foresters' hall Sept. 6th and 20th at 7:30 p.m., and on the 13th and 27th at 7:30 a.m. Rev. Joseph Lee, pastor.

Presbyterian—Services in the Foresters' hall, Sept. 6th and 20th at 11 a.m., and on the 13th and 27th at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Mr. Lynd, pastor.

St. Andrew's—Even Song, every Sunday at 7:30 p.m.; Holy Communion the second Sunday in each month at 8:30 a.m.; Morning Prayer, fourth Sunday at 11 a.m.; Sunday School at 2 p.m. Services at Rosebud Creek the third Sunday in each month at 3 p.m. Rev. Mr. Castle, pastor.

Roman Catholic—Father Capine will conduct Roman Catholic services as follows. The 1st Sunday, in each month at Mr. Desjardins', on Crowfoot creek; 2nd Sunday at Mr. Boupre's, in Gleichen; 3rd Sunday at Mr. T. Stewart's, at west Arrowood creek. Services are held every Sunday at the South Camp Mission, near Cluny.

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W. PARK EVANS, Publisher and Proprietor.

Gleichen, Alberta, September 3, 1908.

The Gleichen District Agricultural Association has been duly formed by law and a meeting announced for next Monday at 8 p.m. for the election of officers and all other business that may be brought up. Already there are between 70 and 80 members and many others are sure to be enrolled. The question of holding a fair this fall is sure to be discussed as well as many other questions, and, therefore, it is hoped all interested will attend and assist in making the association the success it should be.

The exhibit got by the Board of Trade for the exhibit car to be sent over the Rock Island-Frisco line was a very fine one, and no doubt will result in much good to this district. The time allowed to collect it was short or a much wider portion could have been represented, yet it represented all that could be reached in a day's drive and was all that could be desired at this season of the year. It is expected that other similar exhibits will be asked for and the Board of Trade requests the farmers to save their best samples for this purpose and also for display at the Calgary fair next year. The Board hopes to secure a place in which to store such samples as may be obtained from the farmers in order that they may be ready at all times to furnish exhibits wherever the best results may be expected.

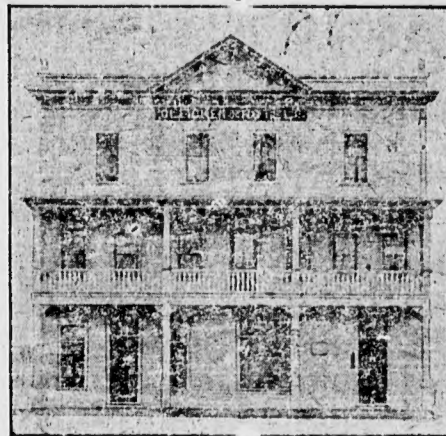
Grain cutting is now general throughout the Gleichen District, threshing has started and shipping by the earload has commenced. The biggest and best harvest in the history of this district is now being garnered, and there appears no reason whatever to fear that it will not be safely housed and good prices obtained therefor. If this means anything it means good times ahead for every person and yet it is but the beginning of the commencement of good times. Herein is the beauty of agricultural pursuits. Unlike other business men the farmer does not fear his competitors, but rather rejoices to see others coming as neighbors to engage in his occupation; indeed, he invites the stranger to come and share in his business. And the prosperity of the farmer is the prosperity of all the other branches of industry.

The C. P. I. C. Co. have certainly dealt generously and promptly with the Hollanders, according to the interview with Father Van Akin published elsewhere in this issue, who was instrumental in bringing the Hollanders to the Akenstad colony. It is also pleasing to note that the Hollanders are not easily discouraged and are determined to stay and make the best of their misfortune. Hail will come in almost every part of the world at times and the only safe-guard is to carry insurance. Few farmers in Southern Alberta carry hail insurance for the reason that it is so seldom that hail does much damage and when it does it strikes only one locality severely; that is it may wipe out the crop on several farms and do no damage to farms adjoining each side. Such was the case with the Hollanders last month. This storm struck Strathmore on the west, being from two to three miles wide, going north and east, the fine crops around Namaka and Gleichen thus escaping damage entirely, while quite close to Strathmore some of the best crops escaped and are now being cut. One of our pioneers talking of hail the other day said that Gleichen has not had a hail storm for sixteen years to do any damage, but that sixteen years ago hail broke many windows in town. Similar stories are told in every town, showing that it is usually many years between severe hail storms in each locality. Strathmore is a new town, but it is said the pioneers do not remember any such storm as occurred there last month.

Some will say The Call should not mention hail storms and such like as it may drive intending settlers away. We cannot agree with this class of people. The truth can do this country no harm and it is well that new settlers know these things and govern themselves accordingly. Every country under the sun at times has misfortunes to contend with, but few of them have as little as this and none are dealt with more generously than the Hollanders have been by the company.

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POSTAGE STAMP-CHEATS.

Foolish Persons Who Run the Risk of
Going to Prison.

"You would be surprised," said a
postoffice clerk, "at the efforts people
make to avoid the payment of postage.
And quite often it is not the work of
children either. The most common
trick is to take the stamp that has been
canceled by hand and the impression
just touches the edge of the stamp.
After pricking the marked edge with a
pin or cutting it with a pair of shears
to resemble the punctured edge of the
stamp or tearing away that part the
stamp is put on an envelope for an-
other voyage. All these are placed in
the hands of postal inspectors for in-
vestigation."

"Others try to give the impression
that a stamp had been put on an en-
velope and become loose and lost in
transit by sticking a stamp on the en-
velope and then pulling it off with part
of the envelope sticking to it off again.
These as well as underpaid letters, un-
less they have a foreign destination,
where postage is then collected, are
marked 'Returned for postage' and
sent back to the sender. Second class
matter, as a roll of newspapers, is of-
ten sealed against inspection by hav-
ing the stamps overlap the cover.
Whether foreign or not it is returned
for postage. When it again shows up,
the mistake rectified, upon inspection
it is usually found to contain written
letters, photographs (unmounted), jew-
elry, merchandise of all kinds, making
the package underpaid; hence it is
again returned."

"But the limit of foolishness comes
when a person tries to efface the in-
delible ink from the stamp and with
half the features of the stamp missing
or rubbed away and some of the ink
still remaining affixes it to an envelope,
with the address of the sender upon
the back to facilitate investigation."

"This, though, is stretching it a lit-
tle too much: A postcard that had been
put through a canceling machine and
delivered to the addressee had the
canceling impression and the address
scratched off with the aid of a sharp
knife and a new address substituted
and a written message pasted on the
reverse side."

AN OLD GORMANDIZER.

One Man Who Lived That He Might
Simply Eat and Drink.

In a little yellowed English mag-
azine, dated April, 1884, I came across
the following amusing scrap:

If the Duke of Q does not extend
his life to a still longer period, it will
not be for want of culinary comforts
and those other succulent arts by
which longevity is best promoted. His
grace's sustenance is thus daily admin-
istered:

"At 7 in the morning he regales in a
warm milk bath perfumed with ali-
mond powder, where he takes his coffee
and a buttered muffin, and afterward
retires to bed. He rises about 9 and
breakfasts on cafe au lait, with new
laid eggs just parboiled; at 11 he is
presented with two warm jellies and
rusques; at 1 he takes a veal cutlet a
la Maitre; at 3 jellies and eggs re-
peat; at 5 a cup of chocolate and
rusques; at 7:30 he takes a hearty din-
ner from high seasoned dishes and
makes suitable libations of claret and
madeira; at 10 tea, coffee and muffins;
at 12 sups off a roast poulet, with a
plentiful solution of lime punch; at 1
in the morning he retires to bed in
high spirits and sleeps till 3, when his
man cook, to the moment, waits upon
him in person with a hot and savory
veal cutlet, which, with a portion of
wine and water, prepares him for fur-
ther repose that continues generally
uninterrupted till the morning sum-
mons to his toilet bath."

"In this routine of living comforts
are the four and twenty hours invari-
ably divided, so that if his grace does
not know, with Sir Toby Belch, 'that
our life is composed of four elements'
he knows at least, with Sir Ague
Cheek, 'that it consists in eating and
drinking.'"

A Reason For Thanks.

The impecunious author's wife was
trying on a new dress and endeavoring
to observe the hang of it by means of
a round mirror on top of a high chiffo-
nier. Every woman will appreciate
what that means.

"Oh, dear," she exclaimed as she
thought with some pathos, "I haven't
seen the bottom of my skirt since I
was married."

Her husband looked up, brute that he
was, and remarked:

"Well, you can thank your lucky
stars for that."

Had Left For Parts Unknown.

In a murder trial in Texas some years
ago the counsel for the defense was
examining a ventriloquist regarding his
qualifications to serve. The candidate
admitted that he had once been a
member of a jury which tried a negro
for murder. It is not permissible in
such cases to ask the result of the trial,
so the counsel said:

"Where is that negro now?"
"I don't know," was the reply. "The
sheriff hanged him at the appointed
time."

No Idle Boast.

Bilkins-Smythe tries to make people
believe that he belongs to the "upper
crust." Wilkins-Well, I should think
he did belong to the "upper crust."
Bilkins-In what way does he show it?
Wilkins-Always short and easily
broke.

Imposing.

"The Swelltons seem to keep up an
imposing establishment," remarked the
canned goods drummer.

"You bet they do," replied the gro-
ceryman, with a sigh long drawn out.
"and I'm one of the fellows they im-
pose on."

WARNED BY DESERTS

What These Sandy Wastes Mean
to Mother Earth.

A DEATH GRIP ON THE WORLD

They indicate the Beginning of the
End of Our Beautiful Planet, Which
is Doomed to Roll Through Space a
Parched and Lifeless Orb.

Deserts already exist on the earth,
and the nameless horror that attaches
to the word in the thoughts of all who
have had experience of them or are
gifted with imagination to conceive is
in truth greater than we commonly
suppose, for the cosmic circumstance
about them which is most terrible is
not that deserts are, but that deserts
have begun to be. Not as local evi-
table evils are they only to be pictured,
but as the general inescapable death
grip on our world, for it is the begin-
ning of the end. What depauperates
the forests to grass lands and thence to
wastes must in turn attack the sea bot-
toms when they shall have parted with
their seas.

Last of the fertile spots upon the
planet because of the salts the streams
have for ages washed down and of the
remnant of moisture that would still
drain into them, eventually they must
share the fortune of their predecessors
and the planet roll a parched orb
through space. The picture is forbid-
ding, but the fact seems one to which
we are constructively pledged and into
which we are in some sort already ad-
ventured.

Girdling the earth with what it takes
but little personification to liken to the
life extinguishing serpent's coils run
two desert belts of little. The one
follows, roughly speaking, the tropic of
Cancer, extending northward from it;
the other, the tropic of Capricorn, Ariz-
ona is in the northern band, as are the
Bahara, Arabia and the deserts of cen-
tral Asia.

Now, these desert belts are growing
In the great desert of northern Arizona
the traveler, threading his way across
a sagebrush and cacti plain shut in by
abrupt sided shelves of land rising here
and there some hundreds of feet high
er, suddenly comes upon a petrified for-
est.

Trunks of trees in all stages of fine-
ture strew the ground over a space
some miles in extent. So perfect are
their forms he is almost inclined to
think the usual wasteful wood-chopper
has been by and left the scattered
products of his art in littered confu-
sion upon the scene of his exploit.
Only their beautiful color conveys a
sense of strangeness to the eye, and
leaning down and touching them, he
finds that they are stone; chert, clay
not carbon! Form has outlived sub-
stance and kept the resemblance, while
the particles of the original matter
have all been spirited away. Yet so
perfect is the presentment one can
hardly believe the fact, and where one
fallen giant spans a little canyon one
almost thinks to hear the sound of wa-
ter rushing down the creek.

But it is some millions of years and
more since this catastrophe befell, and
the torrent, uprooting it, left it prone
with limbs outstretched in futile grasp
upon the other side. A conifer it was
cousin only to such as grow today, and
flourished probably in the cretaceous
era, for the land has not been under
water here since the advent of tertiary
times.

Nowhere near it, except for the rare
cottonwoods along the bank of the Lit-
tle Colorado, grows anything today.
The land which once supported these
forests is incompetent to do so now.
Yet nothing has changed there since
except the decreasing water sup-
ply. During tertiary and quaternary
time the rainfall has been growing less
and less. Proof of this is offered by
the great pine oases that cap the pla-
teau of which these petrified forests
form a part and is kenoted by the San
Francisco peaks. The height above
sea level of the spot where the chal-
cedony trunks are strewn is about
4,500 feet. The lower present limit of
the pine in its full development is
6,500 feet. Two thousand feet upward
the verdure line has retreated since the
former forests were. And this is a
local alteration, for upon the other side
of the plateau petrified remains of trees
are similarly found.

The line of perpetual green has risen
because in desert regions the moisture
is found most plentiful nearest to the
clouds from which it falls upon a
parching earth. Streams, instead of
gathering volume as they go, are far
past near their source and grow less
and less with each fresh mile of flow.
The brooks descending from the Anti-
Lebanon, in Syria, water the gardens
of Damascus and, thence issuing upon
the plain, lose themselves just beyond
the threshold of its gates. So in the
Arizona desert, though in a less de-
gree, and those who live there know it
but too well.—From Percival Lowell's
"Mars and the Future of the Earth"
in Century.

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of pliers will probably agree that the
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and pulling both ends as tight as pos-
sible an injury will be caused to the
wire, which on being straightened will
immediately break. By this means
wire up to No. 12 gauge may be suc-
cessfully dealt with.

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of destruction in comparison with the
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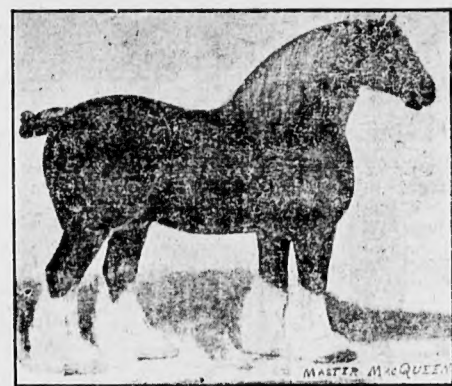
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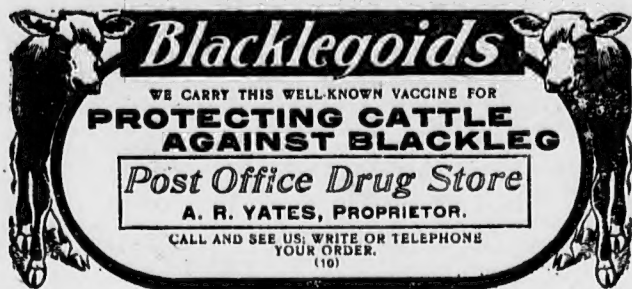
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Monday is Labor Day and a public holiday.

The school picnic promises to be well attended.

J. H. Caldwell and wife were in from Dorothy Tuesday.

T. Benstad was a visitor Tuesday from Bluespring.

W. H. J. Houghton was in Tuesday from Snake creek.

Mrs. Adly's mother and sister arrived to visit her yesterday.

The Blackfoot Indian Agency is now preparing to dip cattle.

Mrs. F. G. Webster of Minneapolis was a visitor to town Monday.

Mr. Larkan returned yesterday from his trip to Prince Edward Island.

Geo. W. Pringle and A. Grace were here from Medicine Hat Tuesday.

If you have any prize farm products keep samples of it for the Board of Trade.

H. C. Rohl of Valparaiso, Ind., arrived Monday and is looking for land on which to locate.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Walsh were down from Calgary Friday and took in the dance.

L. H. Case of Monence, Ill., was looking over this district in search of land Tuesday.

Change your ads often but let us have them early—not later than noon Monday if possible.

The Gleichen hotels have been doing a big business for the past few months with land seekers.

G. N. Nichols and Mrs. E. Kent arrived from Chicago with a view to locating land in this vicinity.

Traffic over the Bow river bridge is now general, and the south farmers are already hauling in some grain.

Some of the machinery for use in the Gleichen elevator arrived yesterday. This looks like business at last.

A. R. Yates has been duly appointed registrar of births, deaths and marriages and also issuer of marriage licenses.

Don't forget the election of officers for the Gleichen District Agricultural Association at 8 o'clock Monday evening.

The Presbyterian Communion service will be held in the Foresters' Hall, Gleichen, on Sunday, Sept. 6, at 11 a.m.

Messrs. S. Lloyd, G. T. Scott and F. Scott were here from High River last week a couple of days sizing up the district.

Geo. Sarkaway got his leg severely injured Sunday by his horse falling. He left for his home in Calgary on No. 97 that night.

Mrs. Jas. Young took her little girl to the Medicine Hat hospital Monday owing to quite a severe illness that has troubled her for sometime.

Mrs. F. H. Blackburn took her baby boy to the Calgary General Hospital last week owing to a severe illness, and we are pleased to say he is improving.

A big round-up of beef cattle is now being made among the ranchers along Red Deer river and Crowfoot creek and a full train load will be shipped from here next Tuesday.

A dance will be given in J. B. Leggett's new implement warehouse on Monday evening by the bachelors of the town. Everybody come and have a good time. Admission 50c.

J. D. Barber has already listed three carloads of horses for his auction sale at the new Alberta Feed and Sale Stables, next Saturday and expects his list will be materially added to before the sale starts.

It is stated the C.P.R. are now guaranteeing to land buyers north of here that the railway from Kinlachie to Didsbury will be built within two years, and that the survey of this road is located twelve miles directly north of Gleichen.

W. C. Simmons the Liberal candidate, held interesting meetings last week at Rosebud, Carbon and Rodonville, returning to Gleichen Sunday evening. He intends returning again shortly to visit Dorothy and several points in the Hand Hills. It is said all his meetings in the north were well attended by the ranchers and farmers and that the people made use of his visit to get his support in a number of local matters and as a result several new post offices are expected to be opened.

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